# CENTRAL SHENANDOAH HEALTH DISTRICT Weekly COVID-19 Update

April 26, 2021



## Week of April 26th COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics

We have available appointments at three clinics this week:

Tuesday, April 27th from 8:00am-12:00pm at Peebles/College Square in Lexington (Ages 18+, Moderna)

Visit this link to make an appointment: <a href="https://vaccineappointments.virginia.gov/client/registration?clinic\_id=2867">https://vaccineappointments.virginia.gov/client/registration?clinic\_id=2867</a>

Wednesday, April 28th from 8:00am-12:00pm at the Rockingham County Fairgrounds (Ages 18+, Moderna)

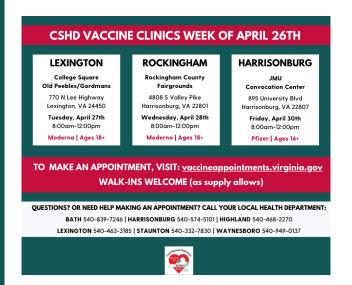
Visit this link to make an appointment: <a href="https://vaccineappointments.virginia.gov/client/registration?clinic\_id=286">https://vaccineappointments.virginia.gov/client/registration?clinic\_id=286</a>

Friday, April 30th from 8:00am-12:00pm at the JMU Convocation Center (Ages 16+, Pfizer)

Visit this link to make an appointment: <a href="https://vaccineappointments.virginia.gov/client/registration?clinic\_id=3166">https://vaccineappointments.virginia.gov/client/registration?clinic\_id=3166</a>

#### Walk-ins are welcome as supply allows.

Please share the below graphics with your friends, families, and communities.





### WHAT'S NEW THIS WEEK

#### **COVID-19 Vaccine Information**

**Schedule Your Vaccine Appointment TODAY:** All Virginians ages 16+ are now eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. Here is how you can get the vaccine in the Central Shenandoah Health District (CSHD):

Visit <u>vaccineappoitments.virginia.gov</u> to make an appointment for a CSHD clinic. You can find clinics in our health district by using your zip code to search for appointments. CSHD will no longer be posting available clinics on our website. **Walk-ins are welcome as supply lasts.** 

<u>Click here to visit</u> <u>vaccineappointments.virginia.gov</u>

Visit <u>vaccinefinder.org</u> and use your zip code to find appointments at local pharmacies and healthcare providers.

Visit <u>vaccinate.augustahealth.com</u> to make an appointment at Augusta Health. These appointments are available to those ages 16+ who live, work, or go to school in the Central Shenandoah Health District.

Click here to visit vaccinate.augustahealth.com

Community members eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine in Phase 1a, 1b, and 1c are encouraged to continue to preregister for a COVID-19 vaccine at <u>vaccinate.virginia.gov</u>.

Click here to visit vaccinate.virginia.gov

If you are having problem making an online appointment, please call your local health department. Please help us reserve the phone lines for those with limited internet access and/or low computer literacy.

CSHD will continue to invite to clinics - via email and phone - those pre-registered individuals who are eligible for the vaccine in Phase 1a, 1b, and 1c and anyone eligible in Phase 2 who pre-registered before April 18th.

**Johnson & Johnson Update:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) lifted their recommended pause on the use of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, following the recommendation of the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) that the vaccine should be cleared for use by all adults. For information on the recommendation, click <a href="here">here</a>.

The Virginia Department of Health (VDH) will follow that guidance and instruct providers across the Commonwealth that they are free to resume administering the Johnson & Johnson vaccine immediately.

The Central Shenandoah Health District does not have any Johnson & Johnson clinics planned for this week, but we will post upcoming clinics on vaccineappointments.virginia.gov.

#### Updated Executive Order 72

Governor Northam has issued <u>Fifth Amended Executive Order 72</u> as follows, **effective April 21**. These activities are still subject to <u>updated guidance</u>, including capacity limits and other safety requirements:

- Seating is now permitted in bar areas of restaurants, provided at least 6 feet is maintained between
  parties and no standing congregation is permitted.
- Outdoor races and marathons may place runners in staggered groups of up to 100 (up from 50).
- School theatrical and musical performances may allow patrons up to 30% of the venue capacity, with a maximum of 500 patrons indoors and no specific limit outdoors.
- Distancing requirements have been decreased from 10 feet to 6 feet for entertainment and public amusement venues, swimming pool seating, graduations, and recreational sporting events.
- Personal care and personal grooming studios are no longer required to maintain appointment logs and contact information for customers.
- Karaoke is no longer prohibited.
- Splash pads, hot tubs, and saunas are no longer prohibited.
- Brass instrument players may remove masks while playing, as could wind instrument players previously.

Governor Northam announced that he will issue Sixth Amended Executive Order 72 as follows effective May 15:

- Capacity limits at entertainment venues will increase from 30% to 50%, with an increase in the
  maximum number of indoor patrons from 500 to 1,000 and no specific limit on the number of outdoor
  patrons.
- Capacity limits at recreational sports venues will increase from 30% to 50%, with a maximum of 250 spectators per field for indoor events and 1,000 spectators per field for outdoor events.
- The limit on social gatherings will increase from 50 to 100 indoors and from 100 to 250 outdoors.

Alcohol sales and restaurant dining will be permitted after midnight.

## **District COVID-19 Activity**

Cases have been decreasing in our region (Northwest) for the last 8 days and cases are considered to be fluctuating. It is important to take preventative measures like avoiding crowded areas, wearing a mask, and washing your hands. You can explore

individual locality metrics <u>here</u>. To learn more about the VDH Pandemic Metrics, click <u>here</u>.

#### **Prevention Reminders**

Let's work together to stop the COVID-19 variants from spreading! We need to continue to take preventative measures, even if you are fully vaccinated.

- Wear a mask over your nose and mouth
- Stay at least 6ft away from others
- Avoid crowded areas
- Sign up for your free COVID-19 vaccine
- Follow the <u>CDC</u> guidance for fully vaccinated individuals\*

\*You are considered to be fully vaccinated 2 weeks after your second dose in a 2 dose series (Moderna and Pfizer) and 2 weeks after received a single dose vaccine (Johnson & Johnson).

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Stay safe. Avoid crowds.

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#### Unsubscribe from Our Emails

If you no longer want to receive email updates from us, you can unsubscribe from our mailing list by clicking "Unsubscribe" at the bottom of any of our newsletters. If you have been vaccinated, you can now update your preregistration profile to indicate your vaccination status. We encourage everyone in our health district to update your profile by visiting <u>vacciante.virginia.gov</u> or by calling 1-877-8294-682.

## **COVID-19 EDUCATION EVENTS**

## Host a COVID-19 Vaccine Information Session

Want to learn more about the difference vaccines? How to preregister? Host a COVID-19 vaccine information session! If your organization would like more information about the COVID-19 vaccine you can schedule an information session with our health education team. Sign up for a session <u>here</u>.

#### Virtual Town Halls

CSHD is partnering with the City of Staunton and the City of Lexington/Rockbridge County to offer two Virtual Town Hall Events this week. These events will feature medical and public health experts who will answer your questions about the COVID-19 vaccine. The City of Staunton event will be streamed on YouTube and the City of Lexington/Rockbridge County event will be streamed on the City of Lexington's Facebook page.

City of Staunton: Thursday, April 29th at 6:30pm

 City of Staunton's YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmwf5ibMGMFP3a

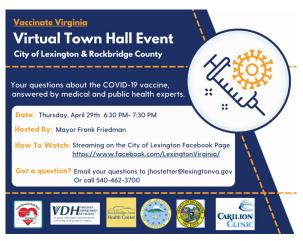
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City of Lexington/Rockbridge County: Thursday, April 29th at 6:30pm

 City of Lexington's Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/LexingtonVirginia">https://www.facebook.com/LexingtonVirginia</a>

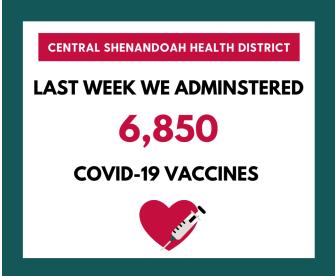
We are working on hosting similar events in other localities in our district.





## **COVID-19 VACCINE DATA**

Last week the Central Shenandoah Health District administered 6,850 vaccines. This number includes first and second doses. We will include this number in our weekly newsletter and post in



on Facebook every Monday.

This number only reflects COVID-19 vaccinations given by the Central Shenandoah Health District and are not a reflection of total COVID-19 vaccines given within the health district. They are approximate as of date received. For total COVID-19 vaccine distribution numbers, please visit the VDH COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard.

## **COVID-19 DATA BREAKDOWN**

As reported to VDH, by date of lab report. May differ from other sources, due to reporting lags. Negative numbers indicate data corrections, since March 2020. More data can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

	New Cases, 7-Day Avg	Total Cases	Total Hospitalizations	Total Deaths
Augusta	7	5,685	165	69
Staunton City	2	2,489	82	68
Waynesboro City	4	2,326	73	36
Rockbridge	2	1,496	45	46
Lexington City	1	1,165	23	32
Buena Vista City	1	881	21	19
Rockingham	10	6,630	376	104
Harrisonburg City	8	6,427	184	94
Bath	1	264	7	10
Highland	0	109	1	1
Totals	33	27,472	977	479
*As of 10:00am on 4/26				

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